

Ruby
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AFFRAY

Captain W. P. Gannaway
Special Service Bureau
Dallas Police Department

Thru:
Lieutenant Jack Revill
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SUBJECT: DONALD ROY TABON (6)

Sir:

Pursuant to instructions of Captain W. P. Gannaway, the SUBJECT investigation was conducted and the following report submitted.

Confidential Informant T-1 reported that the SUBJECT, a white male, d o b. 10-23-1923 has been known to the source since October of 1952. At one time he reported that he had attended Oxford University in England and that he was a graduate of that institution. This could not be verified. The source reported that the SUBJECT has a very bad credit rating, owing more than twenty past due accounts that range back over the past ten years. T-1 stated that the SUBJECT first began using his name spelled as DON RAY TABON and that in 1956 he began spelling the name as DONALD ROY TABONE in many transactions, adding an'E' to the name.

The source stated that the SUBJECT'S employment record was very bad, that in the past ten years he had been associated with eight different companies;

- 1954 - Revlon Products as a salesman
- 1955 - Schwade Bros. of Denver, Colo. as a salesman
- 1956 - Synthetic Plastic Sales Co. as a salesman
- 1959 - Crown Mfg. Co. as a salesman
- 1960 - Lenol Co. as a salesman
- 1960 - Gleff Glass Co. as a salesman
- 1961 - SONG Glass Co. as a salesman
- 1962 - Robert Fulton Show Case Co. as a salesman

The source reported that it was known that this is not a complete list of the companies the SUBJECT has been employed by, but that there was no record made of others.

Confidential Informant T-2 reported that there had been two inquiries made on the SUBJECT, both of them in 1959 with one

inquiry from Los Angeles, California and the other from New York City, New York. On each of the inquiries, a residence address of 8546 Forest Hills was given for the location of SUBJECT. An investigator was sent to this address and on each occasion, was told that the SUBJECT did not live there. That this was the home of a JEAN TURNER. Confidential Informant T-2 was unable to set up a file on SUBJECT.

The indices of the District Clerk's office of Dallas, County reveal that the SUBJECT was divorced from JEAN TURNER TABON on 9-21-1955; case 3118 in the 116 District Court of Dallas, County. There was no record of a re-marriage. Confidential Informant T-3 reported that the SUBJECT supposedly has a wife named LORRAINE at the present time. That in 1958 the SUBJECT had made a report that he was married and this was his wife's name.

Confidential Informant T-2 reported that a pattern was established which indicated that the SUBJECT was still employed as a salesman and that he also represented himself to be in the oil lease business as well as being an oil well producer. That when the SUBJECT is in Dallas, he does live with his ex-wife, JEAN TURNER at 8546 Forest Hills, Blvd. There is no indication as to the location of the wife, LORRAINE.

Confidential Informant T-1 reported that the SUBJECT usually rents automobiles for use in the Dallas area as well as in other cities where he might be on his sales tour. That he has an outstanding bill with a large unpaid balance with Avis Car Rental in Dallas.

The indices of the Records Bureau of the Dallas Police Department reveal that the SUBJECT has been arrested a total of four times in the City of Dallas, on a total of six charges. The first arrest;

1954 - Dallas 2:30 pm 1-14-54 in the 2100 block of Greenville, Avenue, arrested and charged with Investigation of Auto Theft. He was later released.

1958 - Dallas 10:00pm on 8-18-58 in the 1500 block of Commerce, arrested and charged with being drunk and disorderly. Placed in jail and later was charged with alias tickets on a Capias Warrant. Cash bond was posted in City Court.

1961 - Dallas 11:05pm 5-8-61 at Commerce and Akard streets, arrested and charged with being Drunk and Disorderly. Paid fine.

1962 - Dallas 1:30 am 3-13-62 in the 2000 block of Commerce street, was arrested and charged of driving the wrong way on a one way street and Investigation of Driving While Intoxicated were filed. SUBJECT was very arbitrary. Fine paid in City Court on the traffic charge. On June 1, 1962 the SUBJECT entered a plea of guilty

in County Criminal Court #2, Docket # 24790-B, on the DWI charge and received a \$125.00 fine, 3 days in jail and Court costs.

The indices of the Identification Bureau of the Dallas Police Department reveal that the SUBJECT, under I.D. No. E-19801, had been arrested in San Antonio, Texas 11-30-51 and charged with Vagrancy. These indices verified the previous arrest in Dallas on a charge of Driving While Intoxicated.

Subsequent to the arrest of JACK LEON RUBY for the murder of HARVEY LEE OSWALD, it was learned that RUBY and the SUBJECT had been involved in a fight in the Burgundy Room of the Adolphus Hotel on the night of 2-12-63. The SUBJECT made a complaint to the Police Department, RUBY was placed in jail and charged with Simple Assault. On 2-27-63, RUBY was found not guilty in City Court and a cash bond he had posted was returned to him. The SUBJECT apparently failed to appear. On 1-7-64 and 1-8-64, an attempt was made by the undersigned officer to contact the SUBJECT by telephone at DA 1-2917 at 8546 Forest Hills Blvd. Each time the caller was told that the SUBJECT was out of the City. On 1-9-64, the SUBJECT returned the telephone calls and inquired as to the reason an interview was desired. Upon being told that the reason pertained to the fight he and RUBY had been involved in, the SUBJECT stated that he was ill and did not feel like talking about the incident. Upon request for a personal interview, he stated that he had been interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents and by the U. S. Secret Service Agents and had given a statement to each of them and that he had no desire to speak of the incident again. He stated that he was too ill to do any more talking about it.

Confidential Informant T-4 reported that a statement had been taken from the SUBJECT to the effect that JACK LEON RUBY had struck him for no apparent reason and had caused serious injury to an eye. That the SUBJECT had made an attempt at making a complaint against Detective J. B. TONEY, the officer who arrested RUBY. He alleged that Detective Toney had telephoned him and had tried to persuade him to drop the charges against Ruby. T-4 stated that Detective Toney had made an answer to these allegations to the effect that he had called the SUBJECT and had told the SUBJECT that the only charges that could be filed, would be charges of simple assault and that the charges would be filed in City Court # 4. T-4 was of the opinion that the SUBJECT was the type that 'hated law enforcement officers' and did not hesitate to attempt to embroil a detective in a complaint. T-4 stated that a report from RUBY and his witness, who is unknown, indicated that the SUBJECT and unknown persons were at a table in the Burgundy room on the night of 2-12-63 and that JACK LEON RUBY and a very good looking blond female companion had passed the SUBJECT'S table. The SUBJECT had made a ribald 'off-color' remark about the female companion and RUBY proceeded to 'whip' the SUBJECT which caused the SUBJECT pain and embarrassment. RUBY and the SUBJECT were escorted to the office of the Burgundy Room Manager and detectives were called.

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The indices of the Dallas County Sheriff's Department reveal only one arrest, this was when the SUBJECT was confined in the County Jail on 7-6-62 on a conviction for Driving While Intoxicated, receiving a 3 day jail sentence, \$125.00 fine and \$32.50 in court costs. These indices reveal that the SUBJECT was placed in jail under the name DONALD RAY TABONE.

A copy of arrest tickets on the SUBJECT, a copy of the work sheet on SUBJECT'S arrest for DWI and a copy of the work sheet on JACK RUBY in which the SUBJECT is listed as complainant, is attached to the original of this report.

The indices of the traffic section of the Records Bureau of the Dallas Police Department reveal one traffic citation on the SUBJECT subsequent to his arrest in 1958 on a capias warrant for alias tickets. This one citation charged the SUBJECT with making an illegal on 2-12-63. The SUBJECT has Texas operator's license number 2971594. He was driving a 1961 Cadillac sedan at the time of this arrest. Texas 1962 license was PR-9453.

Respectfully submitted,

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EVALUATION: The sources are believed to be reliable.